


Archaeology News

- from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist

- **Indiana Archaeology Month 2004**- September finds us observing Indiana Archaeology Month. As you are probably aware, there is a full calendar of events and many activities in which you can participate. Universities, museums, individuals, many of the DNR divisions and more (www.in.gov/dnr/historic/archeoevenhost.html) have organized, and will be holding, exciting events. They have all worked hard to put these events together, and we hope to see many of you there. As we said in our letter of August, 2004, announcing Archaeology Month, a big thank you goes out to all of those who are hosting events this year! Any questions you may have regarding Archaeology Month in our state can be directed to Amy Johnson at 317/232-1646. Feel free also to continue to check the official Indiana Archaeology Month webpage at www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html.
- **Archaeologist position with the DHPA**- The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology currently has a job opening for a full time Archaeologist. Check the web at http://www.state.in.us/serv/sdp_jobbank for information (regarding the Presrvn Ofr 2 position), or contact Dr. Rick Jones with questions at 317/232-1646. The deadline for applications is September 17, 2004.
- **Cornelius O'Brien-Indiana Mainstreet Conference**- For those interested in historic preservation and archaeology, the Cornelius O'Brien-Indiana Mainstreet Conference is a must. The DHPA partners with Indiana University and Indiana Main Street to host the annual Cornelius O'Brien-Indiana Main Street Conference. This statewide conference is the official forum for preservation issues in Indiana. The conference this year will be held in Madison, Indiana, October 28-30. Archaeology and preservation issues of various kinds will be covered, and the annual Indiana Archaeology Award will be presented. Start with our Division webpage (<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/obrien.html>) to get more information on the conference. We hope to see you there.
- **Archaeology Month exhibit at Indiana Historical Bureau**- The Indiana Historical Bureau has graciously invited the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology to have an archaeology display in their cases and bookshop during Indiana Archaeology Month. The exhibits have been created by Cathy Draeger and Amy Johnson

of the DHPA and will be available to view during the entire month of September. See tools of the trade, artifacts typically found in Indiana, learn more about prehistoric foods and lifeways, find information about Indiana Archaeology Month, and more. The Indiana State Library and Historical Building is just across the street from the State House in Indianapolis. The building is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for state holidays (including election day). Please contact Paula Bongen at 317-232-2536 (or pbongen@statelib.lib.in.us) or Cathy Draeger at 317/232-1646 for more information.



A computer located outside the Indiana Historical Bureau has a Power Point presentation for the public to view regarding Indiana Archaeology Month.



One of the display cases regarding archaeology.



Artifacts are on display along with an Indiana Archaeology Month poster.

- **Sign up for *Archaeology News***- For those with students, don't forget to remind them to sign up for this free archaeology monthly newsletter. It is an excellent way for students, as well as anyone else who is interested in archaeology, to stay in the "loop" and learn about the archaeology which is happening in our state. An archive of the previous *Archaeology News* can be found at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/archeonwsltr.html>. Interested subscribers are welcome to contact Amy Johnson, Archaeology Outreach Coordinator, at ajohnson@dnr.IN.gov.

- **Prophetstown State Park and Archaeology** - Indiana's 23rd state park, Prophetstown State Park, opened at the end of August in Tippecanoe County. As part of the grand opening events on August 28th, the Park had numerous family oriented activities available. Information tables were in one of the new shelter houses for the public to come and check out. The Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology had a table with: information about archaeology in Indiana, coloring sheets for children, Archaeology Month info, artifacts to look at, free posters, and more. Dr. Rick Jones and Amy Johnson spoke with many interested individuals and reached a great number of people who showed an interest in archaeology. This Park has lands which have a rich archaeological history, and it was a pleasure to share some of that history with the visitors.



Archaeologist Don Cochran (B.S.U., Archaeological Resources Management Service) demonstrates flintknapping. He also had artifacts of various types for the public to look at. Prophetstown park offers visitors the chance to see rolling prairie landscapes, and those prairie grasses can be seen in the background of this photograph.

Dr. Jones answering questions about artifacts from Indiana.



Answering a young person's questions about artifacts. We enjoy speaking with potential future archaeologists!

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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
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